



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1724**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This amendment and response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed 21 December 2005.

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